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## To: Dental Providers

### RE: Dental Policy Clarifications

This Alert is being sent out to further clarify the policy limitations on the new CDT2007 codes implemented effective January 1, 2007.

#### **D0145 Oral Evaluation for a Patient Under Three Years of Age and Counseling with Primary Caregiver**

This code is intended to be for the first visit to a dental office for a patient under three years of age, for evaluation of caries susceptibility, development of an appropriate preventive oral health regimen and communication with and counseling with the child's parent or guardian. The code will only be allowed once per recipient lifetime and cannot be billed on the same date of service as procedure codes D0120 (periodic exam); D0140 (limited oral evaluation) or D0150 (comprehensive oral evaluation).

#### **D1206 Topical Fluoride Varnish, Therapeutic Evaluation for Moderate to High Risk Caries**

In order to bill this code the patient must have documented evidence of moderate to high risk caries. This procedure can only be billed once annually and is not allowed on the same date of service as D1203 (topical application of fluoride – child); D1204 (topical application of fluoride – adult); D1110 (prophylaxis – adult) or D1120 (prophylaxis – child).

These policy limitations will be placed in the March update of the Provider Insider. If you have additional questions, please call the Dental Program at (334) 353-5533.

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